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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: U.S.-GHANA BILATERAL AGREEMENT

REF: A) ACCRA 6640; B) ACCRA 6601; C) ACCRA 6525;

D) STATE 214576

1. RE PARA 3 REFTTEL C, AND IN VIEW GOG NOTE AS REPORTED
REFTELS A AND B, PAN AM HAS INFORMED DEPARTMENT THAT IT
DOES NOT PLAN TO FILE NEW SCHEDULE TO DAKAR, ROBERTSFIELD
AND NAIROBI, AT THIS TIME. HOWEVER IT DOES INTEND TO
RESUME SELLING TICKETS IN ACCRA ON EXISTING FLIGHTS FOR
ABOVE MENTIONED DESTINATIONS IN VIEW OF AIRLINE'S TRAFFIC
RIGHTS BEING REINSTATED. PAN AM DOES NOT ANTICIPATE
INCREASE IN NUMBER OF FLIGHTS UNTIL NEXT SCHEDULING SEASON,
AS THERE APPEAR TO BE LOGISTICAL AND MARKETING DIFFICULTIES
IN MAKING ADJUSTMENTS ON SHORT NOTICE.

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2. IN VIEW OF RECEIPT GOG NOTE (REFTEL B) DEPARTMENT

ASSUMES EMBASSY WILL SEEK CLARIFICATION RELEVANT POINTS
RAISED REFTEL D. IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE TO OBTAIN FROM GOG
SUPPLEMENTARY NOTE CONFIRMING FIFTH FREEDOM RIGHTS AT
NAIROBI AND ADDRESSING OUR QUESTIONS (REFTELD) RE TAX
ISSUE.

3. WITH REGARD TO INVITATION FOR CONSULTATIONS,
EMBASSY MAY INFORM GOG AS FOLLOWS: USDEL IS ALREADY
SCHEDULED TRAVEL AFRICA FOR TALKS WITH SENEGAL AND IVORY
COAST SEPTEMBER 27-OCTOBER 8. HOWEVER, IT IS NOT
POSSIBLE TO VISIT ACCRA AT THIS TIME SINCE AFTER IVORY
COAST, USDEL IS COMMITTED TO TRAVEL DIRECTLY TO ASIA FOR
OTHER NEGOTIATIONS. HEAVY USDEL WORKLOAD DURING
REMAINDER OF YEAR (E.G. RENEGOTIATION OF BERMUDA
AGREEMENT WITH U.K.) MAKE IT EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO
MEET WITH GHANA BEFORE 1977.

4. DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT FORMAL RESPONSE TO
GHANAIAAN NOTE OF AUGUST 31, 1976 SHOULD AWAIT CLARI-
FICATION OF ABOVE ISSUES, AND POSSIBLY RECEIPT OF A
SUPPLEMENTARY NOTE WHICH WOULD INCORPORATE INFORMAL
ASSURANCES GIVEN TO PAN AM AND COMMERCIAL ATTACHE RE
TAX ISSUE AND FIFTH FREEDOM RIGHTS. KISSINGER

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